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At the Court at St. James's, *the* 3*d of* April, 1712.
PRESENT,
The Queen's moſt Excellent Majeſty in Council.

THis Day his Grace Henry Duke of Beaufort, took the Oaths appointed to be taken inſtead of the Oaths of Allegiance and Supremacy, his Grace being Lord Lieutenant of the County of Glouceſter, and of the Cities of Briſtol and Glouceſter, and Counties of the ſame.

This Day the Right Honorable Henry Earl of Rocheſter, took the Oaths appointed to be taken, inſtead of the Oaths of Allegiance and Supremacy, his Lordſhip being Lord Lieutenant of the County of Cornwall.

Petersburg, March 2. *N. S.* Yeſterday the Czar publickly Solemnized his Wedding, with his Empreſs Catherina Alexeivna, which had been deferr'd for ſome time, by reaſon of his Czariſh Majeſty's making the Campaign the laſt Summer. About two Hours before the Czar ſet out from Moſco in Winter laſt, he Summoned the Empreſs Dowager, his Siſter the Princeſs Natulia, and two other half Siſters, to whom he declared this Lady to be his Empreſs, and that they ſhould pay her the Reſpect due to her in that Quality; and in Caſe any Misfortune ſhould happen to him, during the Campaign, ſhould allow her the ſame Rank, Privileges and Revenue, as were uſual to the other Dowagers, for that ſhe was his real Wife, though he had not then time to perform the Ceremonies, according to the Cuſtom of his Country. This City has for ſome time paſt been deſign'd for the performance of that Solemnity, and Preparations have been made accordingly: A few Days before Monſieur Kykin, a Lord of the Admiralty, and Adjutant General Jaguſinsky, were ſent to invite the Company to his Majeſty's Old Wedding, which were the Terms they were order'd to uſe. The Czar was Married in the Habit of an Admiral, and for that Reaſon, not his Firſt Miniſters or Nobility, but his Sea Officers had the chief ſhare in the Solemnity of that Day. The Vice-Admiral Cruys, and the Rere-Admiral of the Gallies, were the Bridegroom's Fathers, and the Empreſs Dowager with the Vice-Admiral's Lady, were the Bride-Mothers. The Bride-Maids were two of the Empreſs Catherina's own Daughters, one about five, and the other about three Years Old; but as theſe Princeſſes were too tender to bear the Fatigue, after they had appear'd for a little time, their Places were ſupplied by the Czar's two Neices, Siſters to the Dutcheſs of Courland. The Wedding was perform'd privately at Seven a Clock in the Morning, in a little Chapel belonging to Prince Menzikoff, where no Perſons aſſiſted, but thoſe who were obliged to it by their Offices. The new Married Couple retir'd to the Prince's Houſe, and ſtaid there till Ten of the Clock, and then proceeded to the Czar's Palace, where all the Company was gathered according to the Invitation. The Ceremony was very Noble, with Trumpets, Kettle Drums, a great many rich Liveries, and ſeveral Sleds with ſix Horſes. Prince Menzikoff carried the Marſhal's Staff, and Vice-Admiral Cruys was in the Sled with the Czar at his Right Hand, as his Father. The Company at the Palace was very Splendid, the Entertainment Magnificent, and the Evening was concluded with a Ball, Fireworks and Illuminations.

Coire, March 11. *N. S.* The Baron de Greuth is return'd hither in the Quality of his Imperial Majeſty's Envoy to the Griſons, and has preſented his Credentials to this State. The Paſſages continue ſtill to be ſhut up on the ſide of Germany, but are open towards the Milaneſe, from whence the People of this Country may bring what quantity of Corn they think fitting.

Florence, March 22. *N. S.* General Zuminghen, with ſeveral other German Officers, have been to view Fort Philippo, which is ſituated on a Promontory over againſt Porto Hercole, and it is thought neceſſary it ſhould be taken, before they can regularly beſiege the latter. Upon their Approach, the Governour of the Place made ſeveral Diſcharges of his Cannon, but without any Effect. The Snows are deep, and the Weather has been very ſevere in theſe Parts, but as ſoon as it grows better, the Imperialiſts deſign to Attack the Place in form; for which Purpoſe they are to be join'd by a Body of Troops that have been ſent from Naples, and ariv'd on the Thirteenth Inſtant at Orbitello, with a Train of Artillery, and all other things neceſſary for ſuch an Enterprize. We have Advice from Genoa, that a Veſſel from Barcelona, has brought Orders to the Duke of Uceda, to prepare all things for the Embarkation of Eight thouſand Foot, and Fifteen hundred Horſe, that are to be Tranſported to Catalonia.

Hanover, April 1. *N. S.* We have Advice from Carelſeroon, that the Suedes intend to Tranſport Sixteen thouſand Men into Pomerania, before the Danes can be in any Condition to hinder them. Two Officers of the Swediſh Fleet had been Condemn'd to have their Heads ſtruck off, for having held a Correſpondence with the Danes, and their Father, who was privy to theſe Actions of his Sons, and did not diſcover them, is confin'd to a perpetual Impriſonment. Some Days ſince two hundred Men Sallied out of Stralſund, with a deſign to cut Wood for Paliſadoes, on the ſide of Roſtock, but were Attack'd by Six hundred Danes belonging to the Garriſon of the Place, who Defeated them, and took ſeveral Priſoners. His Daniſh Majeſty is ſtill at Coldingen, and they write from thence, that his Infantry is Recruited and compleat, but that the Cavalry want a great many Horſes.

Berlin, April 2. *N. S.* The Prince of Heſſe Caſſel being very well ſatisfy'd with his Reception here, ſet out Yeſterday for Flanders: During his ſtay in this Place, he had ſeveral Conferences with the Prince Royal, Monſieur Ilgen and Monſieur Kamke, about the Succeſſion of the Principality of Orange, but it is not ſaid they are come to any Concluſion. General Fleming arriv'd here on Sunday laſt, and was to have departed Yeſterday, to follow the King his Maſter into Poland, but having receiv'd a freſh Expreſs, his Journey is deferr'd, and he continues his Conferences with the Pruſſian Miniſters, concerning ſeveral important Matters, relating to the Northen War.

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